

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JUSTIN WETZEL, *in his official capacity as the
clerk and registrar of the Circuit Court of Harrison
County*, et al.,

Defendants,

and

VET VOICE FOUNDATION and MISSISSIPPI
ALLIANCE FOR RETIRED AMERICANS,

Intervenor-Defendants.

No. 1:24-cv-00025-LG-RPM

consolidated with

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF MISSISSIPPI,

Plaintiff,

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Intervenor-Defendants.

No. 1:24-cv-00037-LG-RPM

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

Pursuant to Local Rule 83.1(b)(3), Elias Law Group LLP and Mississippi Center for Justice, counsel of record for Vet Voice Foundation (“Vet Voice”) and the Mississippi Alliance for Retired Americans (“Alliance”) (together, “Intervenors”), respectfully move this Court for permission to withdraw Attorney Michael B. Jones as legal counsel for Intervenors in the above-referenced consolidated action, showing the Court as follows:

1. Attorney Michael B. Jones was admitted *pro hac vice* on behalf of Intervenors on March 5, 2024. ECF No. 39.

2. Attorney Michael B. Jones is no longer employed by Elias Law Group LLP.

3. Accordingly, Elias Law Group LLP wishes to withdraw Attorney Michael B. Jones as counsel of record for Plaintiffs.

4. Intervenors have other counsel of record in this case, namely Elisabeth C. Frost, Christopher D. Dodge, Richard A. Medina, and Tina Meng Morrison of Elias Law Group LLP, and resident attorney Robert B. McDuff, Bar No. 2532, of the Mississippi Center for Justice.

5. The requested withdrawals will not delay trial, discovery or any other aspect of this litigation, and will not have an adverse effect on the interests of Plaintiffs.

6. A proposed order is provided for the Court’s consideration. WHEREFORE, having brought forth this Motion to Withdraw as Counsel, and having set forth good cause for same, the undersigned counsel of Elias Law Group LLP respectfully request that this Court enter an Order allowing Attorney Michael B. Jones to withdraw as counsel for Intervenors.

Dated: May 2, 2024

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion to Withdraw as Counsel has been filed with the Court using the CM/ECF system which will automatically send e-mail notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

Dated: May 2, 2024

/s/ Robert B. McDuff

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[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

Before the Court is the Motion to Withdraw Michael B. Jones as Counsel of Record for Vet Voice Foundation (“Vet Voice”) and the Mississippi Alliance for Retired Americans (“Alliance”) (together, “Intervenors”). The Clerk is DIRECTED to remove Michael B. Jones as counsel of record for Intervenors Vet Voice and Alliance and remove his name from all service lists in this case.

SO ORDERED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

ROBERT P. MYERS, JR.
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE